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In re Patent Application of:
Mitsuko KOSAKA

Application No.: 10/559,783

Confirmation No.: 1080

Filed: December 8, 2005

Art Unit: 1649

For: METHOD FOR PRODUCING TISSUE
CELLS FROM PLURIPOTENT STEM
CELLS DERIVED FROM IRIS PIGMENTED
EPITHELIAL CELLS OF ANIMAL, AND
TISSUE CELLS OBTAINED BY METHOD

Examiner: Aditi DUTT

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Applicant is in receipt of an Office Communication mailed on December 14, 2006 (the "Office Action") for the above-referenced application.

The Office Action sets forth a Restriction Requirement. To provide a complete response, Applicant hereby elects for continued examination Group I, claims 1-11, drawn to a method for producing tissue cells culturing iris pigment epithelial cells and obtaining pluripotent stem cells and tissue cells therefrom. This election is made without traverse.

The election of Group I is being made solely to comply with the Restriction Requirement. The right to file one or more divisional applications directed to non-elected subject matter is reserved.

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